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ESTABLISHMENT OF A CHINA TASK FORCE

- 1. A China Task Force is hereby established whose purpose is to provide (a) a focal point for the monitoring of all of the Central Intelligence Agency's intelligence production on Communist China and (b) a focal point for receiving for the Deputy Director for Intelligence requests relating to China.
- 2. The China Task Force shall be headed by a Chief who shall operate under the direction of the Deputy Director for Intelligence. The Chief of the China Task Force shall represent the Deputy Director for Intelligence, the Deputy Director for Science and Technology, and the Office of National Estimates on the DCI China Coordinator's group.
- 3. The China Task Force (CTF), under the direction of its Chief, shall:
 - (a) support the work of the DCI China Coordinator;
 - (b) monitor the Agency's production programs on China, i.e., assess their progress in

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answering the priority intelligence questions, including the reporting on the weaknesses and vulnerabilities of Communist China, examine the relationships of these programs to one another, and make recommendations for improvement;

- (c) review substantive developments and recommend the revision of production programs in response to these developments;
- (d) receive for the Deputy Director for Intelligence requests for unscheduled production;
- (e) monitor the work of the supporting components of the Directorate of Intelligence (including collection guidance) and make recommendations for improvement; and
- (f) monitor relations with the China centers in universities and with academic consultants on China.
- 4. In carrying out these duties, the Chief of the China Task Force shall report directly to the Deputy Director for Intelligence and make recommendations as appropriate.

- 5. In addition to its Chief, the China Task Force shall be composed of:
 - (a) a secretariat, including the Chairman of the former China Intelligence Study Group (CHINTELL), which has been carrying out some of the functions now assigned to the CTF and which will now be reconstituted as the CTF secretariat; and
 - (b) representatives of all of the major components of the Directorate of Intelligence concerned with production on China, of the Office of National Estimates, of the Directorate of Science and Technology, and of selected supporting components, and the coordinators of special projects.

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